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- 25X1 1. At about 4:30 p.m. on 14 January 1954, 4 T-34/85 tanks and 4 T-34 tank chassis, [REDACTED] were seen on the Leipzig-Borna autobahn, in line with Meusdorf, and proceeding toward Borna. 1 25X1
- 25X1 25X1 2. At 8 a.m. on 14 January, about 25 trucks [REDACTED] 12 prime movers of type Shts-Nati, [REDACTED] and towing 12 122-mm model-31/37 field guns; 3 prime movers, each towing 1 truck trailer, occupied by 25 to 30 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia; 2 trucks towing guns, presumably model-1943 76-mm infantry guns [REDACTED] and about 20 to 25 YA-12 prime movers towing model-31/37 122-mm field guns [REDACTED] were seen passing through Potsdam, coming from the direction of Bornstedt and proceeding toward Michendorf via Lange Bruecke. 2 25X1
- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] a tank unit of the 8th Gds Mecz Div.
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] units of the 34th Arty Div which probably transferred by road to firing practices at Jueterbog. According to reports [REDACTED] other units of the division, which presumably had also transferred by road to firing practices in Jueterbog, returned to Potsdam on 14 and 15 January. Information in the present report tends to indicate that the division continued firing practices at Jueterbog. The equipment of the division with several 76.2-mm AT guns is known. It is, however, doubted that an artillery division with guns and gun howitzers should be equipped with 76-mm infantry guns. [REDACTED] the gun which, with several details, checks with the model-1943 76.2-mm infantry gun, it is believed that the guns concerned may have been guns of a new type, possibly recoil-free AT guns.

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